

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 718

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A RESOLUTION to honor and commend William E. "Willie" McDonald, Mayor of Donelson.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should salute those Tennessee citizens, who through their extraordinary professional and personal efforts, have distinguished themselves as community leaders of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, one such noteworthy person is William E. "Willie" McDonald, who has been recognized as the honorary Mayor of Donelson in homage to his many years of public service to the community; and

WHEREAS, Mr. McDonald, a resident of Donelson since 1955, served with acumen and alacrity for fifty-two years at Third National Bank before joining CedarStone Bank, which his proud son, Bob McDonald, was instrumental in founding; his friendship and counsel are highly valued by his colleagues as CedarStone Bank where he employs his considerable talents for more than forty hours every week in the business development section of the Donelson Branch; and

WHEREAS, in addition to being a wise and diligent businessman, Willie McDonald is a dedicated civic leader who has distinguished himself as a public-spirited citizen of the highest order through his work with numerous boards and organizations, including the Nashville Convention Center Authority, FiftyForward, the Nashville and Donelson-Hermitage Chambers of Commerce, several schools, McKendree Village Foundation, McElroy Foundation, Boy Scouts, Easter Seal Society, and Fellowship of Christian Athletes; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to awards and accolades, Mr. McDonald was recently honored as a recipient of the Sage Award, given by the Council on Aging of Greater Nashville to middle Tennessee residents, ages fifty-five and over, for contributions to the community; and

WHEREAS, Willie McDonald's remarkable success as a businessman and civic leader is directly attributable to his reliance on the time-honored values of hard work, common sense, and uncommon ability to work well with people from all walks of life; and

WHEREAS, Mr. McDonald is wholly committed to the noble precepts of public service that have earned Tennessee recognition as the "Volunteer State," and he is wholly deserving of the honorary title of Mayor of Donelson; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and commend William E. McDonald upon earning the honorary title of Mayor of Donelson, offer our gratitude for the many significant and meritorious contributions he has made to this great State, and extend to him our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.